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Re application of: Cockerille et al.

Application No.: 10/680,041

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Title: PROCESS VERIFICATION

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37 CFR §§1.56 AND 1.97(b)**

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Dear Sir:

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of which are attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make these references of official record in this application.

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MPEP 2128 ("Printed Publications" as Prior Art) states that a reference is proven to be a "printed publication" "upon a satisfactory showing that such document has been disseminated or otherwise made available to the extent that persons interested and ordinarily skilled in the subject


matter or art, exercising reasonable diligence can locate it.” Based on this definition Applicant does not know when reference “C1,” as cited on the accompanying 1449 form, titled “Software Verification and Authentication in a Gaming Device” became a “printed publication.”

Applicant downloaded the reference from the web-site “www.gamingstandards.com,” on February 9, 2005. Applicant used the “way back machine” Internet Archive, “www.archive.org,” on the web-site “www.gamingstandards.com,” and found that the document was available as early as July 24, 2004 based on the archival records at “www.archive.org.” The Applicant also used the “way back machine” on the web-site “www.gamma.org,” which is a related web-site to the “www.gamingstandards.com,” web-site. The Applicant didn’t find the reference C1 in the search results from “www.archive.org” on “www.gamma.org.”

The C1 reference lists on its cover and each subsequent page a date of February 15, 2000. The Applicant is not able to determine whether at the time of these dates on the C1 reference was “available and accessible to persons concerned with the art to which the document relates and thus most likely to avail themselves of its contents” as described in MPEP 2128 under the section-“Electronic Publications as Prior Art.”

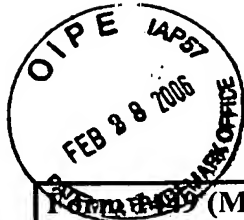
Accordingly, it is believed that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, if it is determined that any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 500388 (Order No. IGT1P052C1).

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U.S. Patent Documents

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	A1	6,595,856	7/22/2003	Ginsburg, et al.			1/4/2000

Foreign Patent or Published Foreign Patent Application

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Other Documents

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	C1	Gaming Standards Association, "Software Verification and Authentication in a Gaming Device", February 15, 2000 www.gamingstandards.com (5 pages).
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Examiner: Initial citation considered. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.